Setting up of Madarsa Board

206. SHRI MOHAMMED ADEEB: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government proposes to set up Madarsa Board;

(b) if so, the details in this regard;

(c) whether views of all stakeholders have been ascertained;

(d) if so, the details of such views; and

(e) the strategy of Government in the matter?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRIMATI D. PURANDESWARI): (a) to (e) The proposal in regard to establishing a Central Madarsa Board, through an Act of Parliament, for standardizing the education in modern subject of Science, Maths, etc. which are non-theological was proposed in a report of National Conference organized by the National Commission for Minority Educational Institutions (NCMEI). The proposed Board, according to the Report, would award qualifications in modern non-theological subjects which would enable students undergoing instructions in them in schools managed by Madars as which are voluntarily seeking assistance under the existing Central Scheme of Modern Subjects in Madarsas to gain access to mainstream higher education through equivalence to qualifications from Central Board of Secondary Education (CBSE) and other Secondary or Senior Secondary Boards. The said Conference was attended by various stakeholders, including prominent Muslim educationists, representatives of Madarsas managements and community leaders. It is not a proposal which has been initiated by the Ministry of Human Resource Development. The Government is of the view of that any decision in this regard shall be taken only in the event of there being consensus among all stakeholders.

Accommodation of retired bureaucrats

207. SHRI MOHAMMED ADEEB: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that retiring/ retired bureaucrats of his Ministry are being accommodated on plum posts;

(b) if so, the details in this regard; and

(c) the action being taken to stop this practice?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRIMATI D. PURANDESWARI): (a) No. Sir.

(b) and (c) Do not arise.